

JUNIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS TEAMS 5.3

GENERAL

1 The general requirements of Operational Manual 5.1 "Australian Teams" shall apply to Junior World Championships (JWOC) Teams except as varied by this regulation. This regulation shall not apply to World Championships in other disciplines (such as Mountain Bike Orienteering or Ski Orienteering).

2 For the purpose of these regulations, a JWOC shall include the finals and any qualifying races.

SELECTION OF JUNIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS TEAMS

Selection Panel

3 Junior World Championships teams shall be selected by the Junior Selection Panel (appointed under Operational Manual 5.1 "Australian Teams").

Selection Criteria for JWOC Teams

4 For Junior World Championships teams the events forming the primary guide to selection shall be the selection trials as defined in 2.2.2 below. Performances in previous Junior World Championships may also be taken into account.

5 The Chairperson of the Junior Selection Panel in consultation with the other members of the High Performance Management Group shall determine the dates, locations and appropriate winning times for the trials and other selection criteria. This shall be confirmed by the Board and advertised on the OA website at least three months prior to the first selection trial. The events of the Australian 3-Days (including prologue), considered as individual events and overall, shall be the major determinant of selection.

6 Any competitor who is unable to compete, or whose performance is adversely affected, in one or more selection trials due to injury, or illness, may be considered for selection in the team, providing that they have significantly outperformed one or more members of the team that would have been selected in their absence in recent major events and/or have performed at an appropriately high level in one or more alternative events nominated by the Junior Selection Panel. Any team candidates who consider they have a case for special consideration are responsible for advising the Chairperson of the Junior Selection Panel in writing.

7 Candidates for selection will normally be expected to compete in M/W17-20E at the Australian 3-Days. Any candidate who wishes to compete in another class (e.g. M/W21E) is required to gain approval of the Chair of Selectors prior to the event. Such competitors will be considered based on kilometre rates at the Australian 3-Days and past Junior World Championships performances.

8 Candidates for selection may be required to indicate their availability for selection to the Selection Panel prior to the selection trials.

9 The Selection Panel may make the selection of one or more members of the team provisional, pending proving of their fitness in a specified event prior to the Junior World Championships. This applies in particular to those who have sought special consideration under clause 6.

10 High priority shall be given to selecting a team, which can be expected to behave in a harmonious and responsible manner. Previous unacceptable behaviour by an orienteer as determined by the Board shall be taken into account by the respective Selection Panel and may result in that orienteer being excluded from selection.

11 Candidates for selection who are competing or training overseas at the time of the Australian 3-Days may apply for pre-selection. The Selection Panel has the authority to pre-select one or more individuals at any time if, in the Panel's opinion, they have clearly demonstrated that they have a realistic prospect of placing in the top 16 of the individual races in the Junior World Championships. Such a decision will be based on previous international championship performances, the candidate's proposed programme of training and competition overseas and performances in earlier selection trials (if applicable).

12 The Selection Panel may consider a candidate for selection, whose performances in the selection trials as a whole would not be sufficient for their selection, if, in the Panel's opinion, that candidate's performances at a specific distance indicate that they have a realistic possibility of placing in the top 20 at that distance in the Junior World Championships. Such an assessment is to be based on previous performances in major national and (if applicable) international events in addition to performances in any selection trial over that distance.

13 Candidates selected in the team will be required to undergo a fitness test not less than two weeks prior to the commencement of the pre-JWOC training camp. If a team member clearly shows they are not capable of performing to their full potential in the Junior World Championships as a result of the fitness test they will be replaced by a team reserve as nominated by the Selection Panel.

Team Size

14 The maximum size of the team shall be 6 men and 6 women, unless a different maximum team size is determined by the IOF. The selectors shall be empowered to select fewer than the maximum number of team members if they consider that insufficient candidates of the appropriate standard are available for selection.

Eligibility to Compete

15 All orienteers eligible to compete in M/W-20 are eligible to compete in Junior World Championship selection trials, providing they notify the organizers of the selection trials as required.

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